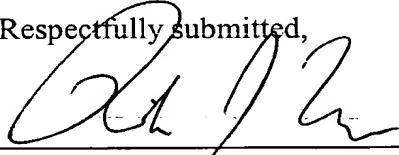


REMARKS

The purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to eliminate multiple dependent claims in order to avoid the additional fee. Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce claims to canceled combined subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,



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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

Claims 11-15 have been amended as follows:

11. (Amended) A method of ~~any of the above claims~~ claim 1, wherein the analyte-determining molecule is an antibody, an oligonucleotide, a protein-nucleic acid, an aptamer, a ribozyme, a nucleic acid, a peptide, a nucleic acid binding-polyamide, a polysaccharide, a glycoprotein, a lipid, a lectin, a receptor polypeptide, a ligand, an antigen, a fusion protein, a hapten, or a chelating agent.
12. (Amended) A method of ~~any of the above claims~~ claim 1, wherein the analyte-determining molecule is a polyclonal antibody, a monoclonal antibody, a Fab fragment, a single-chain antibody, or a disulfide Fab fragment.
13. (Amended) A method of ~~any of the above claims~~ claim 1, further comprising analyte determination.
14. (Amended) A method of ~~any of the above claims~~ claim 1, further comprising utilizing the device to determine the presence of analytes which comprises: an immunoassay, a hybridization assay, a ligand binding assay, a receptor binding assay, or an affinity binding assay.
15. (Amended) A method of ~~any of the above claims~~ claim 1, wherein the analyte-detection is by radiation, chemoluminescence, phosphorescence, fluorescence, or energy emission.